



# Montgomery County Council

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**COUNCIL SEEKS APPLICANTS FOR COMMITTEE  
TO STUDY COMPENSATION OF ELECTED OFFICIALS**

**Deadline 5:00 P.M. November 16, 2001**

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The Montgomery County Council is seeking applicants for a citizens' advisory committee to study compensation of the County Executive, County Council, Sheriff, and State's Attorney. The County Council believes that there is a need to examine present compensation levels for these four offices.

The County Charter authorizes the County Council to set the compensation of the County Council and the County Executive for the succeeding terms of office. State law authorizes the County Council to establish the salary of the Sheriff and State's Attorney for Montgomery County. Changes in compensation levels apply only to future terms of these elected offices.

The most recent changes in the salaries of these elected offices were effective in 1998. Currently, Councilmembers receive annual compensation of \$65,674 (Council President receives 10% additional compensation), the Executive receives \$120,837, the Sheriff \$94,044 and the State's Attorney \$115,584. Each of these offices receives an annual cost-of-living adjustment of 100% of the consumer price index.

The seven-member citizens' advisory committee, appointed by the County Council, will have no more than four members from one political party. The Committee must submit recommendations of compensation levels to the County Council no later than ninety days after appointment. Any recommendations accepted by the Council would be effective for the 2002-2006 term.

Interested citizens should submit their letter of interest with a resume to Council President Blair Ewing at the Montgomery County Council Office, Stella B. Werner Council Office Building, 100 Maryland Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20850. Letters of interest should be received in the Council Office no later than 5:00 P.M. on November 16, 2001.

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